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REFUSED TO COMPLY

The Reply is Entirely Unsatisfactory.

THE MATTER BEING CONSIDERED

Counter Proposal Submitted Having for Its Object the Securing of Further Delay—The Case in Its Present Status Will Be Sent to Congress Monday.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—It can be reiterated authoritatively that the latest dispatches from Madrid are entirely unsatisfactory to the administration. The president, it is announced, will make a public statement immediately after the close of the cabinet meeting, which is now being held.

The reply of Spain is said in effect to be a representation that the independence of Cuba means the parting of cession of Spanish territory, which cannot be done without the consent of the Spanish cortes, which will not be in session until April 24. Then a counter proposition is submitted that the Cuban matter shall be settled upon a basis of equitable among nations. The United States is said to be asked to give Spain time to treat with the insurgents and ascertain what can be done in the way of a peaceful settlement.

Senators who know the nature of the reply, say it is a very shrewd piece of diplomacy, and made for its effects upon the world at large. It is said the reply is unsatisfactory to the president, and he does not believe it will be satisfactory to congress.

The administration officers feel that after Monday congress is likely to take matters into its own hands, and the fear is expressed that there will be a disagreement between the branches of the government that would be serious at this critical point. No one at the capital has undertaken to speak for the president, although those who have seen him say that his hope of a peaceful solution of the difficulty have been disappointed by the reply of the Spanish.

Assistant Secretary of State Day was in conference with the president early this morning. Upon his departure Day said the administration would give out a statement later in the day.

Congressional callers began arriving at the White House early in the day. Senator Davis had an extended conference with the president and Prichard of North Carolina, Grosvenor of Ohio, and ex-Representative Thompson, of Ohio, were among the visitors. At the conclusion of the conference Senator Davis jumped into a carriage hurriedly and drove off, with the statement that he could not reveal what had taken place during the interview.

In view of the grave significance of dispatch a reply will not be cabled to Spain until after the cabinet meeting. The president to several of his closest friends expressed less confidence in the ultimate outcome.

Dingley, the floor leader in the house, had a long interview with the president today, and Senators and representatives formed a continuous stream of callers up to the time of the assembling of the cabinet, but were usually guarded in their expressions after they left the president, saying the situation was too grave to admit of misrepresentation of the reports at this time.

Captain Crowninshield, chief of the navigation bureau, whose duty it is to order the movement of all naval vessels, and keep track of all matters bearing on our comparative naval strength, was summoned to the cabinet meeting during the deliberations. Assistant Secretary Day, Captain Clover, chief of the naval intelligence bureau, and Captain Baker, naval aid and member of the naval aid and strategy board, also were called into conference. The cabinet adjourned at 1:45 p. m. until 5 o'clock. The members of the cabinet regard the situation of the gravest and most critical character possible.

In connection with the official statement made public this afternoon it can be stated on authority that the case now made up by the negotiations between Spain and the United States will constitute the case as will be submitted to congress in the president's message.

There is no present intention of pursuing further negotiations which will open the Cuban question as now pre-

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sent in the correspondence between Spain and the United States.

CHAFES AT THE DELAY.

President Informed Action Must Be Taken By Monday.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The senators and members of congress who saw the president today told him it was not possible for congress to delay the Cuban question beyond Monday. It was their opinion that neither Spain nor the administration would be given further time.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The senate foreign relations committee again today was slow in getting to work. The apparent lethargy was due to the fact that the committee is for the present inclined to wait entirely upon the executive. The advocates of this course think the proof of Spanish instrumentality in the explosion of the Maine is so strong it could be made to justify the most radical declarations.

After adjournment of the committee at noon, Chairman Davis went to the White House. All the members were noncommittal regarding the proceedings of the session, but said the committee could report within thirty minutes after being called upon to do so.

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Ships for Auxiliary Navy.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The navy department today sent telegraphic orders to the auxiliary cruiser board at New York to purchase immediately ten vessels for the auxiliary navy. These boats are to be between two thousand and ten thousand tons burden. The board is directed to conclude the purchases as soon as possible.

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Schooner for St. Michaels.

SEATTLE, April 4.—The first vessel to leave here this season for St. Michaels, Alaska, is the steamer Louise J. Kennedy, which sails tomorrow. She will take up some material for some river steamers and a saw mill.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers, The famous little pills.

SPAIN URGED TO YIELD

Powers Exerting Their Influence to Avert War.

COULD NOT DO IT ON THIS SIDE

The Representations Said to Have Had a Decided Effect—Talk of an Armistice.

MAARID, April 1, via Bayonne, France, April 2.—In spite of the gloomy aspect prevailing this morning, the Associated Press correspondent hears today that Spain may find a way out of the difficulty and grant all that President McKinley has asked, though in a different form. A diplomat, friendly to both nations, made strong representations to an influential Spanish minister today, urging Spain to accept America's moderate demand, which he approved, and represented that if it was not done this week, it would be too late. It is further learned that the representations had a decided effect.

Much pressure has been brought to bear upon the papal nuncio, urging him to ask Spain to grant an armistice, and at the same time issue a rescript to the insurgents, urging them, as faithful sons of the church, to accept. The plan is likely to succeed.

It is not doubted that the great difficulty in the way of Spain making such an offer is the turbulent army officers, who, it is generally admitted, would endeavor to precipitate a revolution were an armistice offered at the suggestion of the United States.

Various misleading accounts of yesterday's conference have been published indicating a long and impressive session. All that happened was that Senor Moret, the minister for the colonies, read the Spanish note. General Woodford, without expressing an opinion, promised to transmit it to Washington, and after the most friendly interchange of compliments, the conference was brought to a close.

The Spanish counter-proposals are brief. They begin with a reference to the Maine, which did not form a part of the United States suggestions. Spain expressed regret at the "accident," and that it occurred in Spanish waters, suggesting that the question of Spanish responsibility for the matter be referred to arbitration.

The note then denies the good offices of the United States government in regard to the reconcentrados and armistice. In connection with an armistice, the note says the matter is in the hands of the Cuban government, intimating that an armistice would be granted if it was asked for by the insurgent armies.

The newspapers today are extremely jubilant over the display of patriotism at the opera house last evening, but it was to a great extent manufactured enthusiasm. All office-holders were expected to subscribe and did so. The same was true of all the officers of the army.

From entirely reliable information it can be asserted that the government has adopted measures to mobilize at any moment the available military officers of the country. Orders have already been given the garrison at Madrid and other captain-generals to reinforce all the maritime ports at a given moment, and the sappers and miners of the garrison at Logrono will proceed immediately to the Balearic islands.

The newspapers announce that they have patriotically agreed to obey the expressed desire of the government and publish nothing respecting the movements of the army or navy.

Spain will immediately get out of foreign waters all the warships she has already purchased, lest an outbreak of hostilities render it impossible. She is adopting the same measures for war material contracted for in foreign countries.

Large orders for coal to be used for the Cuban fleet have been given. Senor Sagasta is alive to the gravity of the situation and seems inclined to think that this bold front will deter the United States from pushing its demands to war.

A little boy asked for a bottle of "get up in the morning as fast as you can," the druggist recognized a household name for "DeWitt's Little Early Risers" and gave him a bottle of those famous little pills for constipation, sick headache, liver and stomach troubles. Snipes Kinerly Drug Co.

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GREAT REVIVAL MEETINGS

Large Crowds Attend the Meetings Every Evening at the Methodist Church to Listen to E. F. Miller.



E. F. MILLER, THE SWEET SINGER.

E. F. Miller, the singing evangelist, is a native of Scranton, Pa., and a very pleasant and agreeable gentleman. He is of German descent, his parents having been natives of Hanover, Germany. A portion of his history is thus given by himself:

"My home is in Chicago, where my wife and child are now living. At the age of 19 I was converted and united with the M. E. church, my parents being Lutherans. When 21 years old I went to Colorado, where my elder brother lived, and there I united with the Methodist church, since which time I have been very active in church work, as a layman, having never been ordained as a minister.

"In Denver I was engaged in car building. David H. Moore and Bishop Cranston were my pastors. In the spring of 1881 Moody and Sankey were in Denver. I received a letter of introduction to the two gentlemen and called on them at their hotel. In the interview I was asked to state my business and the object of my visit, which I did. I was then asked if I were a singer and I replied that I was, and asked Mr. Moody if Ira D. Sankey, his associate, sang. 'Are you one of the Ninety and Nine?' I received a negative answer and was requested to sing a verse of the song, which I did. It

resulted a few months later in being invited to come to Mr. Moody's church in Chicago, where I had charge of his large choir. I also did pastoral work and at the same time took vocal lessons of F. W. Root, a leading vocal teacher of the city.

"The way then opened for me to engage in evangelistic work in New York City in the spring of 1882, and while there I placed myself under the instruction of an eminent music teacher, George James Webb. In 1883 I returned to Chicago, from which time I have been associated with Mr. Potter.

"I have no other business or occupation, and half of the time I work alone without my associate—both preach and sing."

Mr. Miller bears the enviable distinction of being classed by competent judges with Ira D. Sankey, P. P. Bliss, J. S. McGrannahan, Prof. Case, Prof. E. O. Excell and E. F. Miller, and their homes were so near together that they could have met at a central point by a single day's buggy ride.

ENGULFED BY A FLOOD

Shawneetown, Ill., Absolutely Destroyed.

FEW PEOPLE IN ITS PATH ESCAPED

Sudden Break in the Levee Let the Waters in Upon the Town and the Lives of 200 were Lost.

CHICAGO, April 4.—A special from Carmi, Ill., says:

The disaster at Shawneetown came when the great majority of the people were in their homes eating supper. The break in the levee occurred about a mile above the town, and was within ten minutes more than half a mile wide. A stream of water twelve to twenty feet deep, carrying more than half the current of the flood-raised Ohio, descended on the unsuspecting people.

It came in a great rush, like a tidal wave. There was no slow rising of waters to give warning.

The houses on the outskirts were lifted up and rolled over and over. Most of them were torn into splinters. Their inhabitants were drowned in them. Nearer the center of the town brick structures stopped the rush of the waters for a few minutes, but most of the dwellings were floating, careening out into the current of the river.

After a few moments the horror of the situation was added to by the catching fire of a large house that had started down the stream with the others. The people on the roofs were already in dan-

ger of being thrown off by collisions with other floating houses, but the occupants of this floating firebrand added horror. As it struck one house after another in its course, some other houses caught on fire and their unfortunate occupants were forced to trust themselves to the mercy of the swirling water on pieces of wood to avoid a more horrible death by fire.

The break in the levee flooded four miles of valley land and cut off communications on two railways, the B. & O. Southwestern and the L. & N.

When the water had slackened somewhat, many houses were still standing, but it was quickly seen that the frame ones would not last long in the flood. By means of rafts and swimming in the cold water seventy or eighty people were transferred from their garret windows and roofs to the flat top of the Gallatin county bank, a brick and stone building, and the court house, which is built of brick.

It was hoped that these would stand the pressure and the undermining, but when the single courier, who rode for help to Cypress Junction, left Shawneetown, only these two buildings showed above the broad sheet of the flood in the lower part of the town, and it was doubtful if they would not collapse and throw the refugees into the river.

Besides the hundred or more who were on the roofs of the two sound buildings it is known that nearly 1000 of the inhabitants managed in one way and another to make their way to high hills back of the town, or to houses in the higher section of the village.

A few of these survived the sudden burst of the waters, but the first and sometimes the second floors were under water. Those who made their way to them went only in the clothes they were wearing when the water came. No one had time to secure either treasure

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or clothing. The property loss is very great.

A SQUALL WRECKED HER.

The Bark Bothnia Goes Down Off the Irish Coast.

NEW YORK, April 4.—The steamer La Bretagne has arrived from Havre with eleven survivors of the crew of the British bark Bothnia, which was wrecked off the Irish coast March 23d.

The Bothnia sailed from Lobos de Afuera, off the coast of Peru on November 5th. When fifty miles off the Irish coast, on March 23d, a squall struck the bark.

The Bothnia drifted helplessly, until March 27, when the crew was taken off by La Bretagne's lifeboat. La Bretagne liberated carrier pigeons, through one of which news of the rescue and the consequent delay to La Bretagne reached Swansea.

PREPARED FOR THE WORST.

American Consulate Ready to Be Turned Over to Gollin.

NEW YORK, April 4.—A Washington special says:

Consul-General Lee has been instructed to turn the American consulate over to British Consul Gollin, and has already made the necessary arrangements with Gollin to do so. This is a mere precaution in case Lee has to leave suddenly. Lee apparently has not abandoned all hope of preventing hostilities, and will stick to his post until it is folly to remain longer.

MINES IN HAVANA HARBOR.

Forty of Them Said to Have Been Recently Planted.

NEW YORK, April 4.—A Havana dispatch says:

Forty floating submarine mines were secretly planted in Havana harbor last Wednesday night by the Spanish government. The information comes from official sources and is absolutely correct. The mines contain sufficient force there to paralyze the largest ship afloat.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them.

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To the Land of Gold.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Antonie Variele, of the French Geographical Society, has arrived here with a balloon, with which he intends to make a trip from Juneau to the Klondike. A dozen persons are in the party.

Variele, head of the expedition, is 45 years old and a well-known engineer and inventor in France. He claims that his balloon can be steered without difficulty.

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